# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## FISCAL NOTE

HB 133 – SB 145

January 20, 2023

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Allows for four hours in which a person entitled to vote may be absent from any service or employment in order to vote. States that an employee may not take time off of their employment if their tour of duty begins more than four hours after the opening of polls, or ends four hours before the closing of polls.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 2-1-106 currently allows for three hours in which a person may be absent from their employment to vote, unless polls open three or more hours before their work begins or polls close three or more hours after their work ends. The proposed legislation changes this to a four-hour allowance.
- The change in time-allowance will not significantly impact state or local government operations resulting from government employees being allowed an additional hour.
- Any overall fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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